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TOPIC Soviet Occupation Troops in ZERBSTEVALUATION 25X1XPLACE OBTAINED 25X1ADATE OF CONTENT 22 June 1949DATE OBTAINED DATE PREPARED 12 August 1949REFERENCES PAGES 2 ENCLOSURES (NO. & TYPE) REMARKS

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2. The Scharnhorst Kaserne was observed on the same day to be very lightly occupied. The troops from this kaserne were on maneuvers in the area of ALTENGRABOW (M 53/Z 00), according to local residents.

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a. Another source observed one tank and one artillery unit located in ZERBST in mid-May 1949. Maj. YOFREMOV and Capt. GOGOLOV belonged to the tank unit, and Maj. KRAVCHENKO and Capt. KUBA (political officer) were officers of the artillery unit. Recruits undergoing basic training were seen with the units.

b. According to the report and previous information, component units of the 7th Gds Tank Div (Cadre) were located in the ZERBST Gneisenau Kaserne , and a headquarters artillery unit of the Third Gds Mecz Army (Cadre) was quartered in the Scharnhorst Kaserne (the

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- 25X1B was observed in LUCKENWALDE and ZERBST).
c. The information that the Gneisenau Kaserne was occupied exclusively by recruits in late June 1949 appears hardly credible.

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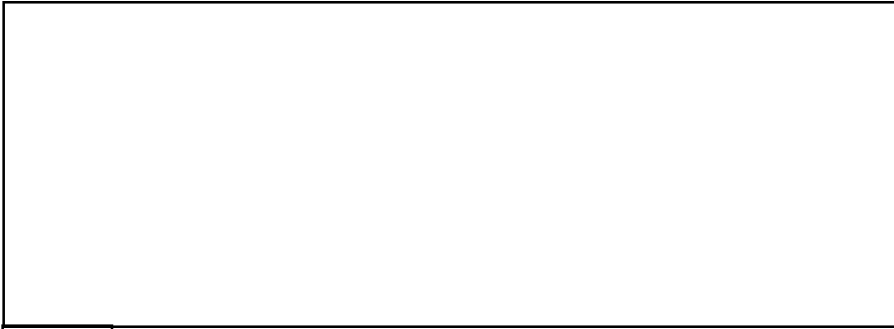
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Comment: Five guns of about 120 mm caliber were seen on a drill ground north of the Scharnhorst Kaserne on 5 June 1949. An eight-foot board fence has recently been constructed around the whole Scharnhorst Kaserne.

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